WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1914.

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## garia Points to a Widening of the Scope of the European War.

ment of a reconciliation between Rumania and So far from establishing a blockade themselves, Cleary cases. Bulgaria. Rumania, according to the announce- the German submarines have utterly failed to ment made yesterday by the Bulgarian Minister break the English blockade of the North Sea and in Petrograd, has agreed to restore the territory the Channel. Moreover, such starvation as Admiral acquired from Bulgaria at the end of the second von Tirpitz is supposed to threaten must come Balkan war. That territory, lying south of the Danube River on the Black Sea coast, was taken We are afraid that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle "His real purpose," says Mr. Robertson, "is to 'ex-Servia and the unopposed march on Sofia of King von Tirpitz.

in Thrace, and in the agreement made before the not appoint to federal offices. war she was to be compensated, in case of suc- Mr. Wilson has shown no disposition so far to

the stupendous success of the Balkan League and of the executive department. new and friendly settlement Bulgaria decided to courtesy."

would like to join the Allies, but before taking ribbons persisted. that step they feel it necessary to secure a guar- Such a course shows more charity and more Oh! ever thus, from childhood's hour, subject race, alien in language, religious affiliation pee-pul." and sympathies.

It is the aim of Russian diplomacy to convince Reasons for a Small Education Board. Servia that she, too, would be wise to give back When the Board of Education considers to-day to Bulgaria the Bulgarian districts of Mace- a resolution favoring a reduction of its size to donia now in her possession. Servia's natural not fewer than seven members and not more than expansion is toward the west, and Bosnia and nine, it is to be hoped it will have digested the Herzegovina, which are Serb provinces, would latest bulletin of the Public Education Associamore than compensate her for a partial with- tion. That document, just issued, contains a drawal from Macedonia. Weakened as she is by discussion of the question of a small board for three wars in succession, Servia needs the aid of this city and a valuable compilation of statistics Greece and Rumania in expelling Austria-Hun-gary from Bosnia and Herzegovina, and she should be willing to pay the price of that aid should be willing to pay the price of that aid, 100,000 population in the country. Providence neutrality has been thoroughly secured.

tory to the entry of Rumania and Greece into the over the country. war. Balkan politics brought on the great crash Of course there is a reason for these things. in Europe. It would be only natural for the Bal- Other cities have discovered that a large board kan States, Bulgaria excepted, to take a hand in the remaking of the map of Europe which much has discovered it. They have acted on the dispresent war.

tesy when they stayed away from the dinner - the reduction of the membership of forty-six he had arranged for the purpose of discussing to some workable size. with them a programme of legislation desired for Perhaps it is expecting a great deal of d' wine to five that Prohibition will be defeated. New York City next year. They were completely interested public service to ask the existing memwithin their rights, of course. The Legislature bers of the Board of Education to sanction a will also be within its rights if it takes their cue plan which would put most of them out of an and turns a cold shoulder to this city's needs in office of honor if not of profit. Yet many of them Austra-Gern the legislative line. But it will be neither politic must be convinced that only through the creation

New York has a right to better treatment than power, responsibility and knowledge of the school has enjoyed in the past at Albany. The present problems which would follow, can there be any ty administration is handling affairs here well genuine advance in school administration here.

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LEWIS A.

Austria-Hungary has suspended payment on notes. it has enjoyed in the past at Albany. The present problems which would follow, can there be any Christmas flopping early? city administration is handling affairs here well genuine advance in school administration here. Austria-Hungary has suspended payment on notes and sanely. It has discovered much that should From that view inevitably must come support due her enemies. be done for the city's benefit and many ways to of the proposal for a small board, even if it Let's pick a fight with the butcher, save money. Before most of these policies may involve the sacrifice of official position.

be put into effect changes in the charter or gen eral laws are needed. This is a matter of more First to Last the Truth: News, Editorials, Advertise- efficient government and money saving for half the population of the state. No official or set of officials should be too lofty to give time and study to such subjects or to further bills for improvement, if once convinced of their merit.

### Admiral von Tirpitz Tries His Hand at Fiction.

it is a fantastic proposal which is now placed in the mouth of Admiral von Tirpitz. The plan sounds far more like Sir Arthur Conan Doyle than that veteran sailor; in fact, Sir Arthur in a recent piece of fiction suggested the very sort 250 of submarine blockade which now crosses by cable from a correspondent supposedly sitting at the 48 feet of the German Minister of Marine.

The idea is nothing less than the complete You can purchase merchandise advertised in THE blockade of England by submarines. Submarines to pay your money back upon request. No red tape. No quibbling. We make good promptly if the advertiser does not. upshot of the Conan Doyle story.

Rumania's Settlement with Bul- There is only one trouble with this marvellous achievement, and that is its impossibility so long as present naval conditions prevail. If the German submarines had succeeded in seriously crippling the British fleet or had accomplished anything noteworthy in harbor raids, the suggestion The most important news from the Balkans would hold real peril. The facts, unfortunately since Turkey entered the war is the announce- for the piece of fiction, are all the other way.

by Rumania in the general spoliation which fol- can lay a very fair accusation of plagiarism pose' the American newspaper. He really exposes lowed the defeat of the Bulgarians by Greece and against his eminent competitor, Grand Admiral nothing that was in need of exposure. The 'yellow

### Not a Case for Compromise.

confidence in her military strength, but of a series not take kindly to the suggestion of our neighof accidents which worked to rob her of the bor "The World" that he make some sort of muckraking novel. Mr. Adams's chief error is in legitimate fruits of Kirk-Killissé and Lulé-Bur- compromise with that ancient hold-up conspiracy making it appear that such newspapers are the rule, gas. The associates in the Balkan League— masking as "Senatorial courtesy." "The World" and the honest newspapers the exception. Greece, Servia, Bulgaria and Montenegro-did advises him to forget the dignity and preroganot count on a complete collapse of the Turkish as one politician dealing with other politicians. military power. Bulgaria did not expect to con- That would be the easiest way out, no doubt, for didn't earry a lot of pat. med. advertising. quer Thrace. Her main object was to free the a President who felt that no surrender of princi-Bulgarian population of Macedonia from Turkish ple was involved in letting the Senate dictate to oppression. Her interest lay in Macedonia, not him whom he should appoint and whom he should A YOUNG well educated German gentleman wishes a

cess, by the acquisition of the Bulgarian sections abdicate any Presidential function. He has exof Macedonia. Servia, Montenegro and Greece tended the power of the office by taking a most had expected to take Epirus, Albania and the Sanjak of Novibazar as their share of the spoils.

Bulgaria's easy victories, which carried her Bulgaria's easy victories, which carried her He is therefore very unlikely to permit himself armies to the gates of Constantinople, upset these to be browbeaten by the Senate on an issue on plans. The European powers were alarmed at which he is strictly within his rights as the head December 21-Up, and on several errands for

Turkey. Austria-Hungary and Italy opposed Ser- differences between the President and the Senate for near an hour, when came J. Wise the cotton vian expansion toward the Adriatic, insisted on concern only a squabble over patronage, in which stuffs merchant and we did have some games of the creation of the independent Kingdom of Althe creation of the independent Kingdom of Al-bania and forced Servia and Greece to look for compensation in Macedonia. Conditions having the compensation in Macedonia. Conditions having on his own initiative. Is he to remain the original dinner, and found there B. Pemberton the critick, been altered by outside pressure and Bulgaria trustee of the power to nominate or is the Senate and heard the news of the playactors, which was having taken possession of the greater part of to wrest that power away from him? That is a not much, to say sooth. To the office, where till Thrace, which she did not at all covet, a new deal question which should never be straddled by a very late; and so home and to bed, but I slept ill, became necessary. Yet instead of negotiating a weak surrender to the intimidations of "Senatorial what with the great wind that shook the case-

in trying to take Rumanian Transylvania away objection was made by Miss Grace Strachan and much pains, and with some content to myself, too. from Austria-Hungary. Rumania and Greece others in charge of the work because the yellow

antee of Bulgarian neutrality. Rumania has made sense than was possessed by the official who origgood a part of Bulgaria's losses. Greece would inally refused food to relieve the wants of the not like to give up Salonica, which is largely hungry rather than to advertise the suffrage Greek. But the re-cession of the Bulgarian sections of Macedonia which she now holds would be leave many hungry this winter. It is as silly tions of Macedonia which she now holds would as it would be to refuse the contributions of a self-advertising "malefactor of great wealth" or the white Christmas forecast? advantage to her to try to assimilate an obstinate a politician seeking to "square himself with the

which can be safely given only after Bulgaria's comes next, with a board of thirty-three members; only thirteen cities, including this city. Rumania's offer to Bulgaria looks, therefore, have boards of moze than nine members. It is like the first step toward the renewal of an un- shown clearly that the tendency has been to rederstanding among the Balkan States prepara- nuce the size of boards of education in cities all

the remaking of the map of Europe which must come out of the struggle and sacrifices of the on it. The Goodnow-Howe report of last year on it. The Goodnow-Howe report of last year recommended a board of eight members for this city. Mayor Mitchel has urged the board to con-Not Wise to Slight New York City. sider the subject and expects the charter revision

of a small board, with the centralization of

# The Conning Tower

The Ballad of Justifiable Homicide.

They brought to me his mangled corpse And I feared lest I should swing. O tell me, tell me,-and make it brief-Why hast thou done this thing?

"Had this man robbéd the starving poor Or lived a gunman's life, Had he set fire to cottages, Or run off with thy wife?

'He hath not robbed the starving poor, Nor lived a gunman's life; He hath set fire to no cottage, Nor run off with my wife.

Ye ask me such a questioun that It now my lips unlocks: learned he was the man who planned The second balcony box.

The jury pondered never an hour, They thought not even a little, But handed in unanimouslee A verdict of acquittal.

Our knowledge of law is a bit confined and our sense of justice is all sugared over with sentimentality, so we refrain from comparing the Frank and

### PAT. MED. EPITAPHS. Here lies Ed. It ain't his fault

He was fond of Guffy's Malt,

journals' of to-day are well known and properly appraised by the public. So are the personal organ newspapers, owned and dominated by wealthy men or victim not alone of vaulting ambition and over- We are glad to see that President Wilson does wealthy coleries for the exploitation or protection of are too well understood to merit the honor of a large

> Which may be a critic's opinion. But we'd have more respect for it if the esteemed Plain Dealer

> > [From the Pausaic Daily News.]

coay furnished room with a single lady or young widow. Opportunity to perfect his knowledge of

### THE DIARY OF OUR OWN SAMUEL PEPYS.

my wife, who, poor soul, hath not strength enough determined to take a hand in the partition of We cannot agree with "The World" that the to do them. To the city then and at my labours very late; and so home and to bed, but I slept ill, what with the great wind that shook the casements and the water that drippeth from the ceiling at five in the morning.

DR. DERNBURG REPLIES

The Superior Law of Necessity Is Cited in Defence of Belgian Invasion.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

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compel an adherence to the old settlement by force of arms. Rumania, looking askance at an undue aggrandizement of Bulgaria, intervened on the side of Greece and Servia, and Bulgaria, baddy beaten, had finally to accept the hard conditions of the treaty of Bucharest.

If Rumania is now ready to give back the teritory she took from Bulgaria in 1913 it must be because she wants to assure herself a free hand.

Cited in Defence of Belgian Invasion. To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Permit me to say in reply to your loader of to-day that according to the savery and distraught; and J. Williams came and we for a walk through the brown; but I poor company. All day at the office of the treaty of Bucharest.

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### OH. NOW! BE FAIR!

### FOOTLIGHT MOTIFS. JOHANNA GADSKI.

The golden hair upon your head

Looks like a china doll's to me; You're not exactly underfed. Nor cursed with great agility.

Your acting never would arouse Enthusiasm's highest pitch: Yet laurels rest upon your brows, For, Gadski! How you singovitch! SIGMUND SPAETH.

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THE PERFECT TRUBUTE [From the Kalumazoo (Mich.) Gazette.] and Mrs. August Binder, 721 North Rose street, has Mr. Whitman and the Republican legislative committee of the Board of Estimate to send to just received a fine porker from Silva Saunders, Cassopolis, leaders treated Mayor Mitchel with scant courtheat the Legislature a charter amendment providing expressing thanks for an address Mr. Binder gave Emanci-

We are just gambler enough to bet nine bottles of

THROUGH THE MAGNIFYING GLASS.



It looks big enough to us!

### THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN An Open Forum for

Germany has been justified in dis-I am an American of German de-I never write for this here Tower,
But he doth fling the stuff away.

Can it be that the weatherman is going to cross us on the white Christmas forecast?

Germany has been justified in discretarion of German deregarding the Belgian neutrality treaty, because under the law of necessity, which law is applicable according to all authorities of international law, including Hugo Grotius and Thomas Jefferson, when there is an earnest reason to believe that by keeping her contract a nation will be placed in such an inferior nosition as to endanger her.

What She Thought to Gain by Fight. an inferior position as to endanger her national existence. This is the superior law in all such cases, because nations wiped out cannot keep any contracts.

DR. DERNBURG.

Writing in defence of Ger-New York, Dec. 21, 1914.

### THE GERMAN EXPLANATIONS

### They Always Fail to Explain, Is the Criticism of a Reader.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Many thanks for your timely editorial of this morning on the Belgian documents and Dr. Dernburg's explanation. Oh' these German explanations (which somehow always fail to plain! The point in them that icks deepest with me is their insult the American intelligence. I fully believe that there is not an average American schoolboy of fourteen years who could not detect the fallacy in that prelude of Dr. D.'s, so laboriously but who could not detect the fallacy in that prelude of Dr. Dr. S. an abortiously but unsuccessfully designed to make something appear that which it manifestly is not, and yet they try to cram that sort of stuff down the throats of Tribute readers and expect us to digest it. But keep it up, Dr. D. et al.! Don't be discouraged just because every time you open your mouth you put your foot in it, as your Irish allies would say. If you have any more such proofs of the simister Belgian and English conspiracy to "invarie Germany," bring them right out. They are all to the good for flegium and add to the good

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Writing in defence of Ger-many in "The North American Remany in "The North American ne-view," Dr. Dernburg says, among other

things:
"Will it be believed that a nation

will it be believed that a nation meaning Germany) would go wilfully and light-heartedly to fight nearly the whole world? And what had she to gain if she were victorious?"

Of course, probably no one does believe that Germany wanted to fight single-handed nearly the whole world, but her fool diplomats engineered

things so badly that Germany was called on to face, not wilfully though it may seem fatefully, the alignment of powers now arrayed against her. But that question apart, there is an other question that would seem to press itself irresistibly to the front for an answer. It is: If Germany had cherished for forty years a desire for

rangements of an offensive or defensive character, and I wish to ask why did not Belgium on Baron Greindi's advice, if she did make any contracts at all, try to make them simultaneously with Germany, as had been done in 1870.

Germany has been justified in dis-E. Alexander Powell ("Fighting in Flanders"), "most spectacular, and reminded one of a scene in melodrama particular gun, as shown in Na.1

America, that the civilized world, has already forgotten England's own haby killing exploits in the South African stockades? When it comes to murder of the innocents, the record to date is as follows: King Herod in Judea, first; the "high-souled men" of the Indian Mutiny, second; Serbs, Bulgars, Greeks and Turks in Macedonia, third: England in South Africa, fourth. I give Spain in Cuba and Russia a little everywhere within her own domains and in East Prussia the benefit of the doubt, as I have no statistics at hand. Compared with these, Germany is only a bungling, accidental beginner. a bungling, accidental beginner. Mr. Churchill should consult a

men's nerves-and on ours

New York, Dec. 20, 1914.

# MORMONS AND SUFFRAGE

thanks for an address Mr. Businer gave Emandiner than your specious pleas to stain for than your specious pleas to stain for the Mount of Dr. Denburg's lamblike innocence."

From Sir Edward Grey to Sir E. Goschen: His majexty's government cannot for a moment centertain the Chancellor's proposal that they should him themselves to neutrality on such that the forces, north and south and seem his seat, and whe versa.

In a Word, No. bid you notice that Walter Johnson did his sefepping early?

To the Editor of The Tribune?

Sir: It is evident to an unbiassed observer that Germany is determined to win the present war regardless of the mean to manufacture their forces, north and south in the strength of the real read plane. The tribune of the rallroad lines enabled the manufacture their forces, north and south in the west. The tribune of the rallroad lines enabled the manufacture their forces, north and south in the west. The tribune of the rallroad lines enabled the manufacture their forces, north and south in the west. The will the forces, north and south in the west. The will the past the past that they should hind themselves to neutrality on such terms. What he asks us in effect is to engage to stand by while French colonies are taken and France is beaten, no long as Germany does not take french territory as distinct from the colonies."

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: It is evident to an unbiassed observer that Germany is determined to win the present war regardless of the unservapilous and illegal acts and foul manufacture the word of the word tragedy? I should think that we vote the word of the

where the hero dashes up and saves the heroine, the homestead or the family fortune"; and now he contributes to that cause a winged phrase, "buby killers of Scarborough." It sounds well, but it is not war.

Does Mr. Churchill believe that America, that the civilized world, has already forgotten England's own baby killers.

Our British correspondent gives si this information regarding the gunt